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"AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS DISPLACED AS A RESULT OF ELECTRIC RESTRUCTURING."

- Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the 1 following in lieu thereof: 2
- 3 "Section 1. Section 16-245p of the general statutes is repealed and the 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 5 (a) An electric supplier and an electric distribution company providing standard service or back-up electric generation service, pursuant to section 16-244c, shall submit information to the 8 Department of Public Utility Control that the department, after consultation with the Consumer Education Advisory Council,
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- 10 established under section 16-244d, determines will assist customers in
- 11 making informed decisions when choosing an electric supplier,

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12 including, but not limited to, the information provided in subsection 13 (b) of this section. Each supplier or electric distribution company 14 providing standard service or back-up electric generation service, 15 pursuant to section 16-244c, shall, at such times as the department 16 requires, but not less than annually, submit [, on] in a form prescribed 17 by the department, [quarterly reports containing] information [on 18 rates] that the department must make available pursuant to subsection 19 (b) of this section and any other information the department [deems] 20 considers relevant. [, including, but not limited to, any change in the information as required by the department.] After the department has 21 22 received the information required pursuant to this subsection, the 23 supplier shall be eligible to receive customer marketing information 24 from electric or electric distribution companies, as provided in section 25 16-245o.

(b) The Department of Public Utility Control shall maintain and make available to customers upon request, a list of electric aggregators and the following information about each electric supplier and each electric distribution company providing standard service or back-up electric generation service, pursuant to section 16-244c: (1) Rates and charges; (2) applicable terms and conditions of a contract for electric generation services; (3) the percentage of the total electric output derived from each of the categories of energy sources provided in subsection (e) of section 16-244d, the total emission rates of nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, particulates, heavy metals and other wastes the disposal of which is regulated under state or federal law at the facilities operated by or under longterm contract to the electric supplier or providing electric generation services to an electric distribution company providing standard service or back-up electric generation service, pursuant to section 16-244c, and the analysis of the environmental characteristics of each such category of energy source prepared pursuant to subsection (e) of said section 16-244d and to the extent such information is unknown, the estimated percentage of the total electric output for which such information is unknown, along with the word "unknown" for that percentage; (4) a

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46 record of customer complaints and the disposition of each complaint; 47 and (5) any other information the department determines will assist customers in making informed decisions when choosing an electric 48 49 supplier. The department shall [update the information at least 50 quarterly make available to customers the information filed pursuant 51 to subsection (a) of this section not later than thirty days of its receipt. 52 The department shall put such information in a standard format so 53 that a customer can readily understand and compare the services 54 provided by each electric supplier.

- (c) Each electric supplier and electric distribution company shall disclose to customers, in a manner prescribed by the department and not less than annually, such information as the department considers relevant. The department may adopt regulations, pursuant to chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this subsection.
- Sec. 2. Section 16-262i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 62 (a) The Department of Public Utility Control shall adopt regulations 63 necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 16-262c to 16-262h, 64 inclusive.
 - (b) The department may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, setting forth the terms and conditions under which electric, electric distribution, gas, telephone and water companies, electric suppliers, certified telecommunications providers and municipal utilities furnishing electric, gas or water service may be prohibited from terminating service to a residential dwelling on account of nonpayment of a delinquent account in the name of the former spouse or spouse of the individual who occupies the dwelling, if the marriage of such individuals has been dissolved or annulled or such individuals are legally separated or have an action for dissolution or annulment of a marriage or for legal separation pending, pursuant to chapter 815j.
 - (c) The department may adopt regulations, in accordance with the

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78 provisions of chapter 54, setting forth the terms and conditions under

- 79 which electric distribution, gas, telephone and water companies,
- 80 electric suppliers, certified telecommunications providers and
- 81 <u>municipal utilities furnishing electric, gas, telecommunications or</u>
- 82 <u>water service may terminate service for reasons other than</u>
- 83 nonpayment of a delinquent account.
- Sec. 3. Section 16-331c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 85 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 86 Each community antenna television company, as defined in section
- 87 16-1, shall annually contribute to the advisory council in its franchise
- 88 area an amount not less than two thousand dollars. An advisory
- 89 council may at its option receive any or all of its funding through in-
- 90 kind services of the community antenna television company. Each
- 91 advisory council shall annually, on January [first] thirty first, provide
- 92 the Department of Public Utility Control with an accounting of any
- 93 funding or services received.
- 94 Sec. 4. Subsection (f) of section 16-256i of the general statutes is
- 95 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 96 October 1, 2005):
- 97 (f) A telecommunications company, or its affiliate or authorized
- 98 representative using telemarketing to initiate the sale of
- 99 telecommunications services, which the department determines, after
- notice and opportunity for a hearing as provided in section 16-41, has
- failed to comply with the provisions of this section or section 16-256j
- shall pay to the state a civil penalty of not more than [five] ten
- thousand dollars per violation.
- Sec. 5. Sections 16-246 to 16-246f, inclusive, of the general statutes
- are repealed. (Effective October 1, 2005)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2005	16-245p
Sec. 2	October 1, 2005	16-262i
Sec. 3	October 1, 2005	16-331c
Sec. 4	October 1, 2005	16-256i(f)
Sec. 5	October 1, 2005	Repealer section